Idaho Conservation Corps – AmeriCorps Individual Placement
Payette National Forest – New Meadows Ranger District
New Meadows, Idaho

Regarding the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19:
Northwest Youth Corps and Idaho Conservation Corps are continuing to monitor and respond to the spread of the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19. We encourage you to not to delay your application for future programs that interest you. We soon expect to be running our programs effectively and successfully even as our country reassesses the “new normal” of living our lives with Covid-19. Should you apply successfully and later on feel that you are not yet ready to join our program there is no cost or penalty. To learn more, please visit: https://www.nwyouthcorps.org/m/covid19.

Position Title: Biological Technician (Weeds) – 450 HR

Position Summary:
The Payette National Forest is recruiting one Biological Technician (Weeds) from May 26 through August 18 2020. The incumbent will be paired with a Forest Service conduct field surveys to identify, document, map, and treat noxious weed infestations. This position will typically work four ten hour days per week (Monday through Thurs).

Duties and Responsibilities:
This position will work under the supervision and guidance of professional range and natural resource specialists performing a variety of duties related to implementation of on the ground noxious weeds and invasive plant control. The work is performed outdoors in rugged terrain; to include very steep, wet, muddy, rough, uneven or rocky surfaces; positions require physical exertions, such as, bending, crouching, stooping, stretching, reaching, or similar activities. Individuals should be capable of working alone, or with other people, during early morning hours, or during the day. Time will be spent: 60% treating invasive species, 10% collecting invasive species population data, 25% monitoring and surveying invasive species treatments, 5% range surveys.

Required Qualifications:
- Willingness to work as part of a small team
- Current driver’s license.
- Good written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to lift and carry up to 30lbs
- Ability to work outdoors in remote settings and inclement weather on uneven ground
- Member may travel to other duty stations during the work week and remain over-night occasionally

Desired Qualifications:
- Previous experience using GPS and GIS
- Previous experience operating ATV’s or UTV’s
- Noxious weed and plant identification
- Strong interest in resource management.
- Possession of an Idaho State Weed License.

Duty/Housing Location:
Duties are performed out of the New Meadows Ranger District New Meadows, Idaho. Housing is provided in bunkhouses with a common kitchen and shared bedrooms located in New Meadows.

Terms of Employment:
One AmeriCorps member will complete a term of service (length dependent on commitment of hours), starting May 26 through August 18 2020. The member must complete a minimum of 450 service hours by the end of their term.

Program Benefits:
- $5,400 living allowance, prorated on a pay period (monthly) basis
- $1612.43 education award upon completion of the 450 hours of service.
- The incumbent will receive training in CPR/First Aid & defensive driving.
- The New Meadows ranger District will also pay for an Idaho Professional Applicator License if the incumbent desires the certification.
- Housing is provided.

The living allowance and education award are taxable. Members are responsible for providing their own food. Service eligibility is contingent upon the results of a criminal and driving background check.

The member will not engage in any prohibited activities as stated in the Member Service Agreement.

To apply:
Please visit https://www.idahocc.org/interns and click “Apply Here” underneath the position description.

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